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ABC Will Carry Year-Round Southern Baptist Radio Hour

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—The Radio Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention has contracted with the American Broadcasting Company for year-round broadcast of a Sunday afternoon religious half-hour, beginning October 2, it was announced by Dr. Sam F. Lowe, director.

One hundred thirty-one ABC stations in the South, Southwest, and Pacific coast area will be used on the Baptist broadcast, Dr. Lowe said. Other supplementary stations will be added to give complete coverage of the 23-state area now comprising the S. B. C. territory. Broadcasts will originate at the Baptist Radio Center in Atlanta.

Dr. Lowe said that Dr. Robert G. Lee of Memphis, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, will be speaker the first three months of the broadcast.

Southern Baptists heretofore have
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COURT ASKED TO DEFINE A CHRISTIAN

WATERLOO, Ia.—(RNS)—Ten years ago Dr. W. B. Small died here, leaving \$70,000 to "persons who believe in the fundamental principles of the Christian religion and who are endeavoring to promulgate the same."

No one has claimed the money yet, and the administrators of Dr. Small's will haven't chosen anyone on whom to bestow it.

But there's a case in district court here in which lawyers representing Dr. Small's heirs are asking the judge to define a "Christian" and also to define the promulgation of Christian beliefs. The heirs are seeking to have the trust set aside, claiming it to be invalid. They say neither beneficiaries nor the purpose are capable of ascertainment.

BRUCE AULTMAN TO SPEAK ON MISS. RADIO HOUR

Bruce Aultman, of Hattiesburg, will be the speaker on the Mississippi Radio Hour, Sunday afternoon, June 26 at 2:30 o'clock. Mr. Aultman will be heard over the following stations:

WSLI, Jackson; WCBI, Columbus; WMOX, Meridian; WROB, West Point; WELO, Tupelo; WROX, Clarksdale; WLAU, Laurel; WLOX, Biloxi; WAPF, McComb; WJMB, Brookhaven, WNAG, Grenada.

Baptists Again Refuse Church Union Invitation

REPORTS MISSION WORK 'IMPOSSIBLE' IN CHINESE COMMUNIST AREAS

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—(RNS)—Severe restrictions placed on the Church in Communist-controlled areas of interior China make it "impossible" for missionaries to do effective work there, it was reported by Dr. Rolf A. Syrdal, on his return from a visit to China.

Dr. Syrdal is executive secretary of the board of foreign missions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Lutheran groups in China have decided, in general, that it is best to withdraw at this time from Communist-controlled and threatened areas, he said.

At the same time, they are agreed that a "task force" of missionaries should be kept in port cities or as close to Communist areas as possible to keep contact with the Christian Church, he reported.

Those missionaries remaining in the Communist areas are virtually
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COMMUTES 1,000 MILES TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

CLEVELAND—(RNS)—Fred W. Ramsey, executive vice-president of Church World Service, New York, thinks nothing of travelling 1,000 miles each weekend to serve as a Sunday school superintendent.

Every Friday night Ramsey closes his desk in New York and boards a plane for Cleveland. He spends part of Saturday in going over the current lesson leaflet. Then, on Sunday, he takes over his duties as superintendent of the church school in Calvary Evangelical United Brethren church here—a job he's held for the past 37 years.

Shrugging off the suggestion that commuting back and forth is "quite a chore," Ramsey said his work in the church offers "a pleasant interlude in the week's occupation."

"I know that I wouldn't give it up for anything," he said.

Doing a "little bit of extra" for the church has been a habit with Ramsey since his youth.

McClellan Succeeds Bryant As Publicity Director of S. B. C. Executive Committee 1950 CONVENTION DATE CHANGED TO MAY 9-12



REV. ALBERT MCCLELLAN

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—Rev. Albert McClellan, editor of the Baptist Messenger (Oklahoma) was elected director of publicity of the Southern

Baptist Convention Executive Committee at its annual meeting here June 15-16, to succeed C. E. Bryant, who resigned to do similar work at Baylor University, Waco.

A graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University at Shawnee and the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth, Mr. McClellan was pastor of the First Baptist Church of Waurika, Okla., before going to the editorship of the Messenger in October 1945.

In other actions, the Executive Committee:

Changed the date of the 1950 Southern Baptist Convention in Chicago to May 9-12 from the previously announced May 10-14.

Adopted financial and promotional plans for implementing the Advance Program approved by the Convention in Oklahoma City last month.

Named a committee to study the matter of 1,668,000 non-resident Baptists
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NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—The Southern Baptist Convention will not participate in the meeting of the Planning Committee for a Conference on Church Union, scheduled for Princeton, N. J., next December 14-16.

An invitation that Southern Baptists appoint three to seven official delegates to the conference was addressed to Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, and signed by Douglas Horton and Mark A. Dawber of New York.

"The next annual session of the Southern Baptist Convention will be held in May, 1950, after your proposed meeting this fall," Dr. McCall replied. "I am therefore assuming the responsibility of replying to your letter on the basis of previously expressed opinions and actions of the Southern Baptist Convention."

"I am quite certain the Southern Baptist Convention would decline your invitation to participate in a Conference on Church Union," Dr. McCall declared. "As indicated in the statement attached to your letter, we would agree with you concerning 'the challenge of secularism, materialism, and sin.' We do not agree that church union provides the answer to this challenge."

"As Baptists we believe in the freedom of the conscience of the individual to arrive at his religious convictions from a study of the Bible under the leadership of the Holy Spirit. We recognize that this freedom has produced varying interpretations and differences of opinion. We believe that the cause of Christ will be served best by each individual remaining absolutely true to his conviction concerning the teaching of the Word of God."

"It is further our conviction," Dr. McCall continued, "that any effort at church union must either dilute these convictions to produce a common denominator of faith for all who enter the union, or the union must ignore these differences and pretend a unity which is not a reality."

Dr. McCall concluded: "I would pray that God might guide you and all others who might participate in this conference that the Divine Will may dominate all decisions."

Informed Baptists Are Better Baptists The Every Family Plan Makes Informed Baptists

McCLELLAND SUCCEEDS BRYANT

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ists on S. B. C. church rolls:

Convention Date Changed

Date of the 1950 session was changed on recommendation of a special committee headed by Rev. R. Lofton Hudson of Shawnee, Okla., who pointed out that May 14 falls on Mother's Day, a time when most pastors desire to be in their own churches. A survey by Porter Routh, statistician, has indicated that only 12 per cent of the pastors favored the May 10-14 date.

The Convention will open on Tuesday night rather than on Wednesday morning as customarily, according to the action. The annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union will be held Sunday, May 7, through Tuesday, as heretofore, with the Tuesday night hour being a joint session with the full Convention. The Convention will close its sessions Friday night.

Non-Resident Members

George B. Frazer, a Washington, D. C., attorney, called attention of the Promotion Committee to statistics in the 1949 Southern Baptist Handbook to the effect that almost 26 per cent of Southern Baptist church membership is non-resident. The great majority of these non-resident members are completely unenlisted in religious work, he declared.

Named to the committee to study the matter and report back to the Executive Committee's semi-annual meeting next December were Dr. Paul Wheeler of Columbia, S. C., chairman, Mrs. Frank Burney of Waynesboro, Ga., and Dr. Norman Cox of Meridian.

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REPORTS MISSION WORK

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under house arrest, Dr. Syrdal said, although they are permitted to continue mission work in their homes and in the mission compounds.

In one Chinese city of 70,000, where nearly all mission properties have been occupied by Communist soldiers, a missionary's family was permitted to keep only one room of its residence, he said.

By leaving Communist areas, many missionaries believe it will be easier for native Chinese Christian leaders to carry on their work, Dr. Syrdal reported.

The missionaries are generally treated better in the large cities where there are several hundred foreigners, than in the interior, he said.

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Dr. Green To Lead Revival At Raleigh June 22-July 1

Dr. W. E. Green, president of Clarke College will lead in a revival meeting at Raleigh June 22-July 1, according to an announcement by the pastor, Rev. Quentin Floyd.

Services will be held twice daily at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

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DANIEL, THE PROPHET (\$3) BY M. R. DeHaan consists of 35 simple studies in the Book of Daniel. First prepared for radio, the sermons are concise, giving only the mountain peaks, the more important truths, and a general working outline for the average believer. The first six chapters record the personal history of Daniel, and the latter six is a series of visions which Daniel received. Order from the Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

WIGGINS, FIRST BEGINS REVIVAL ON JULY 4



DR. C. PENROSE ST. AMANT

Dr. C. Penrose St. Amant, Professor of History in the New Orleans Theological Seminary, will lead the First Church of Wiggins, in a revival July 4-10. Dr. St. Amant and the pastor, Dr. R. P. Butler.

Mr. Winegar, Professor of Biology in the Perkinson Junior College, will have charge of the singing.

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ABC WILL CARRY

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been cooperating in a Southern religious radio conference—each denomination having the program for three months at a time.

The Commission elected the Rev. Ramsey Pollard of Knoxville, Tenn., as its chairman.

In making the announcement, Dr. Lowe emphasized the fact that the entire cost of the program would be financed through fan mail receipts, but added that no appeals for funds will be made during the broadcasts.

"The Commission believes that this series of programs will offer a tremendous service to members of our denomination, as well as others, Dr. Lowe pointed out. "We also realize that the success or failure of the program rests wholly upon the spiritual and financial support of the rank and file of our Baptist people."

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Pascagoula VBS Enrolls 307

The Vacation Bible School, First Church, Pascagoula, began June 3. The enrollment was 307. An offering of \$40 was given to the Baptist Offering.

The Commencement exercise was held on Friday, June 10.

Parents were invited to visit the departments and view the display of handwork.

Mrs. John Colle served as Principal; Mrs. J. R. Yeager, Secretary; Mrs. Lynwood Ross, Beginner Supert., Mrs. C. H. Gray, Supt. of Primary No. I; Mrs. Charles E. Mitchell, Supt. of Primary No. II; Mrs. G. W. Hall, Supt. of Junior No. I; Mrs. P. J. Higginbotham, Supt. Junior No. II; and Mrs. R. E. Lynn, Intermediate Supt. Fifty-five workers gave excellent service each day. Dr. Charles L. McKay is pastor of the church.

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT BEACON Baptist Church, Laurel, closed with appropriate exercises Friday night, June 17. It was by far the largest school Beacon has ever had. There was an enrollment of 243, with an average attendance of 219. The pastor was principal, with a faculty of 52 workers.

GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

CALVARY, COVINGTON LIKES PROOF

Another church has tried the Record and found it worthy.

A few weeks ago at the request of the pastor, Rev. Chester Roberts, the Record was sent on trial to the members of Calvary Church in Covington County. In a letter, the treasurer, L. E. Wise, enclosed a list of names to whom the Record is to be sent. From now on the members of the Calvary Church are going to know more about what Baptists are doing at home and abroad and have a greater part in doing it.

Covington County Record readers are now listed as follows: Calvary, 9; Collins, 60; Leaf River, 32; Lebanon, 32; Mt. Horeb, 35; Mt. Olive, 122; New Hope, 40; Ora, 2; Rock Hill, 1; Salem, 115; Sanford, 34; Seminary, 40; Williamsburg, 41; Willow Grove, 38.

MORE PROOF

Frank Skilton, director of Public Relations of Blue Mountain College and a staunch believer in and supporter of the Baptist Record, "passes on the following information:

"In one of the District Training Union Conventions, Bro. Wilds was offering Baptist Records to some one in every family represented who did not receive the Baptist Record. Only five hands went up as not receiving it. At another, he asked for those present who had not seen the current number of the Record to hold up hands. With the exception of four or five kids about ten years old, only four adult hands were elevated."

Again we call the attention of our readers to the fact that the Baptist Record does help. Record readers are usually the kind who support various forms of our work. The more readers, the more supporters. Record readers go to conventions.

NEW CHURCH HAS NEW EF LIST

Rev. E. E. Hedgepeth who is pastor of the newly organized Riverside Church in Lawrence County believes that a good start aids in a good end. Therefore he has led this new church to adopt the EVERY FAMILY plan of the Baptist Record. This means that from the very beginning the people of this church are going to know about Baptist affairs at home and abroad and then have a part in them.

Lawrence County Record readers are now listed as follows: Riverside, 13; Antioch, 40; Bethel 33; Mismareck, 25; Carmel, 65; Crooked Creek, 61; Jayess, 50; Monticello, 101; New Hebron, 87; New Hope, 55; New Zion, 1; Nola, 17; Oakvale, 33; Old Silver Creek, 46; Providence, 30; Saul's Valley, 18; Shiloh, 50; Silver Creek, Calvary, 103; Topeka, 21; Wanilla, 58; Oma, 17.

SOSO

While Pastor John L. Gilbert was away on vacation we supplied for him. It was our first visit to Soso Church and we saw with our own eyes evidences of the many good things which we had previously heard. People were rejoicing over the construction of more Sunday school rooms. Many expressions of appreciation of the pas-

SYBIL DEWEESE GOES TO SAN ANTONIO CHURCH



MISS SYBIL DEWEESE

Miss Sybil Deweese, a native of Philadelphia, Mississippi, has accepted the position of Educational Secretary at the First Church in San Antonio, Texas, and began her work on June 5. She served in both the Carthage and Crystal Springs churches before entering Southwestern Seminary, where she graduated this year. Her work will be primarily with the Juniors, Intermediates, and Young People in the church.

Also on the staff of First Church, San Antonio, which is the second largest church in membership in the Southern Baptist Convention territory, is Dr. Perry F. Webb, pastor, and Melvin Roberts, Educational Director, who was formerly educational director at Calvary Church in Jackson.

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TRACT SOCIETY SEEKS 100,000 DISTRIBUTORS

"Christian Crusade" to enlist 100,000 tract distributors has been launched by the American Tract Society of New York City as a means of stimulating interest in leaflet evangelism and improving methods of using tracts.

Those who enroll in the Crusade agree to give one tract to someone each day and pray definitely for the recipients of the tracts distributed. If the goal of the Crusade is reached more than 36 million tracts will be distributed annually. Participants need not use ATS tracts, though the Society will supply them with leaflets free of charge, on request, if they so desire. The Society's address is 21 West 46th St., New York.

tor were heard.

We were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Byron Inmon. Dr. Inmon was one of our Intermediate boys during our Pontotoc pastorate.

Record readers in Jones County are now listed as follows: Bethel, 10; Bethlehem, 73; Calvary, 30; County Line, 50; County Line, 50; Ellisville, 159; Fairfield, 58; Indian Springs, 7; Laurel, First, 541; Laurel, Second Avenue, 416; Laurel, Beacon, 91; Moselle, 49; East View, 61; Beulah, 63; New Hope, 27; Overt, 33; Pecan Grove, 9; Pine Grove, 55; Pleasant Home, 1; Sandersville, 61; Sand Hill, 31; Sharon, 71; Shelton, 1; Soso, 102; South Laurel, 70; Summerland, 59; Tuckers Crossing, 46; West Laurel, 191; Glade, 69; Pleasant Ridge, 1.

Mississippi Baptists — Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." I Corinthians 13:8



Rev. William P. Davis, Assistant Executive Secretary, came to us the first part of this year. He has been to us in the work a tower of strength and will be much more so as the Convention Board at our request at the next session makes his responsibilities more official. We still hope the Convention Board will carry out our suggestion of last year made through the Executive Committee that a general restudy be made of Convention Board affairs. During these eleven years we have had no intensive study made of our Convention Board procedure. We felt that at the end of last year, our tenth in service, this study should be made and so recommended it. Other items superseded this in attention and we feel the work lost thereby.

Brother Davis has a warm heart and a clear head and we predict for him many years of useful service for Christ with the Convention Board.

Miss Mildred Sepp came to us about a year ago from Charleston where she taught school and was a leader in the local church. She has fitted helpfully into our work and adds to the fine fellowship about the Baptist Building.

I

It takes a great spirit to admit to a mistake. Only a good heart could and would have written the letter we reproduce below. It is written by one of our fine, strong, and well liked younger pastors. When we came into the work right at 900 churches were giving through the Cooperative Program. That meant some 500 churches were giving not one penny through the Cooperative Program. It has been a labor of love in seeing these churches and pastors one by one get under the load and get into the joy of having a large part in the work of Christ. The spirit expressed in this letter must be typical of many others who have joined in the work through these years. Doxology! The letter follows!

"June 8, 1949

Dear Bro. McCall,

This is merely an inadequate attempt to let you know what a blessing you have been to my life.

First, your great patience, love, wisdom and tact and gentleness and Christian courtesy melted my heart. When I first entered the ministry and the pastorate, I was so jealous for our local independence and authority, that I was almost constantly bristled up at everyone. When asked to pledge something to help retire our debts, I wrote you, in a very haughty, antagonistic, unbecoming way (not intending the letter to be that way, and not intending anything personal regarding you; nevertheless, I now see how the letter appeared to the Lord). Your reply was so kind, and gentle, and spiritual that I was very ashamed, and very much wanted to become more like my Lord. Also, your letter was no compromise. I foolishly and unscripturally argued that it was never right to pledge. Kindly, yet persistently, you quoted scripture after scripture to show many cases where God was pleased with pledges, vows, etc.

Now that was a little thing, perhaps, to some. But, to me, that incident, plus hearing you from time to time, and observing you, convinced me that our work was not something being thrust down our throats, but something great and

glorious, something we should be concerned about, something we should be eager to support, as a whole, and push forward.

I want to accept the invitation you made at Columbus, and come by Jackson some day, and see our church page, so I can get thoroughly ashamed. I know we are just a country church, Bro. McCall, but we can do a great deal more. And by God's grace and our own obedience, we will.

Second, I have compared your judgments and decisions with opposing judgments and conclusions, regarding various phases of our work. And, I am convinced that your view of the overall picture is better, and your reasoning more influenced by the Spirit, and your discernment better than that of the majority of our men. I thank God for your wisdom and spiritual discernment.

Third, your promotion of the most important things first—evangelism and soul-winning, and right Christian living, has meant tremendously much to me personally, and to our state.

Fourth, many, many other things that have caused me, lately, to think of you, almost daily, with thanksgiving, and prayer for you.

Bro. McCall, you have meant so much to me personally, and to Mississippi Baptists, and to Christ and His work! You have done and are doing a monumental work. And yet, until the last two or two and one half years, I have not even started trying to do much for our work. And until recently, I have just taken you and all the blessings God has given me and our work through you, for granted. I haven't even thanked Him, to amount to anything, for you, or really, and earnestly interceded for you. But lately, and from here on out, you can count on my being in deep, earnest prayer before God's Throne for you, and on greater efforts on my behalf for more of God's Work and our work. I thank God, my early years in the ministry have been under your leadership.

In our Saviour's Dear Name."

II

Two or three churches have been reported as going to withhold Cooperative

Program monies. There is nothing new, smart or spiritual about that procedure. Some ten years ago about 500 churches were withholding Cooperative Program monies. Recently by actual check only a few churches were withholding such monies. Is it too much to hope that some of these days it may be 100 percent?

III

Through the years a great deal of free space in the Baptist Record has been given all of our institutions. We have continued giving free space and at the same time have netted tremendous profits in Baptist Record operations. We have given special free space to each institution in turn as large campaigns have been promoted. Notwithstanding the fact that we have recently continued that policy, we have netted a nice profit of \$7,718.20 the first six (6) months of this convention year.

IV

Mrs. Sam Gillon, Sunday School leader of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, states in response to our Friendly Chat that they are planning to increase their Cooperative Program money this year.

V

We would naturally be unresponsive indeed if we did not deeply appreciate the following expression signed by Brother G. A. Hall, Convention Board Member, and fine laymen from that association.

"Dear Dr. McCall,
The executive board of Tishomingo Association met last night in regular session and by motion appointed three on a committee to express our appreciation of your fine leadership and efficient work and to let you know that the churches of our association are a hundred percent for you and hereby pledge ourselves to continue our cooperation with you in every way possible."

Some nine or ten years ago we were in Tishomingo Association in an association-wide revival. At the time there were twenty-one cooperating churches in the association. Exactly twenty of these churches joined in with that county-wide effort. The twenty-first church had planned so to do but the preacher from an adjoining state failed to show up. It has been easy to think of this distant association geographically being close up in spiritual warmth and hearty cooperation.

VI

In Hebrews 10:24-26, "And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another; and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching. For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins," you will note here that Christians are to provoke one another unto love and unto good works. Staying around some people one feels refreshed, reinvigorated, strengthened, and ready to joyfully live for Christ. Fellowship with such an one makes you feel like you are up on the mountain top. It makes one ready to fight the world, the flesh, and the devil.

On the other hand there are those within the church and without the church whose influence is hurtful and depressing. When one is around a preacher or a layman like that upon leaving he feels like he has been in a refrigerator. He feels like he needs a bath, a warm bath if you please. Such unholy influence tends to make one want to live less, love less, serve less, and give less.

One of the incentives presented in verse 25 for provoking unto love and good works is the fact that with each day the second coming of Jesus is that much nearer.

In the next verse a dark emphasis is placed upon sinning wilfully after receiving a knowledge of the truth.

Makes Unusual Record at MC



MISS LILLIAN ARLENE PRITCHARD

Miss Lillian Arlene Pritchard finished her Freshman year at Mississippi College, Clinton with a straight "A" average for the year. This is a most unusual record for a first year student. She is eighteen years old and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Pritchard of Crystal Springs.

Miss Pritchard was born in Negritos, Peru, where her father was in the oil business. In addition to her scholastic attainment she has worked as an assistant in the Registrar's office. Two of the "A" courses were chemistry and mathematics.

Miss Pritchard lived in Jennings Hall, College Freshman Residence for Women. Of all Mississippi College dormitory women, 21 percent maintained a "B" average for the year and one third of all the girls were listed on the College Honor Roll. Nine young ladies maintained an "A" average for the Spring Term.

Mississippi College has a very high scholastic standard and holds the highest accrediting possible.

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PANOLA BAPTISTS HOLDS ELIMINATION CONTEST

Baptist Training Union of Panola County held Mass Meeting and Elimination Contests June 12, at Peach Creek Church. The attendance was the largest of the year.

The following took part in the contests:

The Beginner Story Hour Stories: Sonny Luncford, Sardis Church; Johnnie Lou Wagner, Batesville Church; Anita Lazenby, Courtland Church.

Primary Story Hour Stories: Bobby Keating, Sardis Church; Jimmy Davis, Peach Creek Church; Ruby Jo Douglas, Pilgrims Rest Church.

Junior Memory Work: Georgia Elaine Parnell, Peach Creek Church; Sammy Smith, Liberty Hill Church; Jeanette Beard, Liberty Hill Church; Patsy Nell Mills, Pilgrim's Rest Church; Tommye Ann Woodruff, Good Hope Church; Amanda Jane McMinn, Good Hope Church; Corrine Varner, Courtland Church; Robert Gray, Batesville Church; Patricia Hazel, Batesville Church.

Junior Hymn Playing: Peggy Joyce Moore, Crenshaw Church.

Intermediate Sword Drill: Shirley Norwood, Sardis Church; Ann Garner, Peach Creek Church; Bettye Rowsey, Liberty Hill Church; Jean Cook, Courtland Church.

Young People's Speaking Tournament: Eula Mae Sturgis, Liberty Hill Church; Travis Luncford, Sardis Church; Bill McMinn, Courtland Church.

Adult Human Interest Story from mission field: Hayes Wicker, Sardis Church; Mrs. Mammie Figg, Courtland Church.

Rev. Joseph W. Oliver, Associational Missionary and Training Union Director spoke of the fine work done by the leaders in the Training Unions in getting the contestants ready.

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June 26 Is The Day

Next Sunday, June 26, has been designated by the Cooperative Program Committee as the Sunday on which churches are urged to take a special offering for the Cooperative Program. Of course, some churches that do not have full-time services will wait until a later Sunday for the offering. During the past few weeks we have carried much material about the Cooperative Program and have done the best we know to promote it in a worthy way. The matter is now in the hands of the pastors and the churches.

Few churches will take this offering unless the pastor leads them to do so.

It is true that large numbers of our churches are supporting the Cooperative Program in a worthy way. Others could do more and concerning others, the less said the better.

The Cooperative Program is the bed rock of our work; it supports all of it. A gift through the Cooperative Program means a gift to everything that Baptists are doing.

May we urge you to see that the offering is taken next Sunday or the first most convenient Sunday. Give everybody an opportunity to share in all of the work.

There are many who are already giving as much as they feel that they can. Others are giving less than their best and in most instances far less. This is their opportunity to catch up.

LET'S MAKE THE OFFERING
A WORTHY ONE.

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Report On Baptist Papers

By DR. R. T. SKINNER,
Chairman

We give below the report on Baptist State Papers as prepared by Dr. R. T. Skinner, editor of the Western Recorder (Ky.) and read to the Southern Baptist Convention by A. L. Goodrich. It is a good presentation of the work of

the Southern Baptist papers and Dr. Skinner deserves high praise for this worthy paper.

The several Baptist papers are mindful of their responsibility as the major agents for reaching the masses regularly. The editors understand that their ministry is unsurpassed either in responsibility or opportunity, and they assure this Convention that they stand ready to serve.

The history of the Baptist denomination is, at least to some measure, a record of the influence of Baptist papers. Mighty men of the press, generations ago, were used of God to stabilize faith, and crystallize conviction and purpose. They magnified principles which, please God, shall never die. To their high purposes we dedicate our talents and every means at our disposal.

We conceive that our papers are unifying agents—seeking always to integrate the forces of our denomination, rallying them about the common cause. This is not an integration which has harmony as its only objective. We realize full well that there can be destruction even where there is harmony; but we also know that there can be destruction in disunity. We would rally our Baptist forces about New Testament standards knowing, that when they are so united, they are united indeed, and that the nearer we move to New Testament standards the nearer we shall be to each other.

There has never been a day when all Baptists saw all details exactly alike. Baptists will be Baptists in spite of the world, the flesh, and the devil. And, they are going to be their own kind of Baptist. They reserve the right (and we think God gives it to them) to read for themselves, to think for themselves, and to reach their own conclusions. But, in the exercise of this liberty, which we would defend, there has grown through the years, a unity, and a strength of conviction and purpose which characterize Baptists as perhaps no other people.

In the carrying out of their mission as bulwarks of the faith and as agents for the informing of the people, and as means for rallying the masses in support of the work of our several conventions and of this Convention, our papers need strongest support from every institution and agency, from every denominational servant, pastor, and church. If the papers are to perform their high mission their circulation needs to be vastly increased, a thing possible, only as they have the fullest support of all our people. We do not object to being the burden bearers of the denomination. We would like also

to feel that we have the heartiest support of the last Baptist of the Convention. There has been unquestionably, in recent years, an awakened consciousness as to the importance of the denominational papers. We are well beyond the 700,000 mark in subscriptions. Paper shortage has handicapped expansion. High costs have been, in many instances, a very real handicap. But in spite of all these, there is a growth, both in interest and in circulation. We can use not only good will but a lot of tangible support of the everlasting type.

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Education For Life

In grandfather's day a school teacher looked on his pupils as empty cups. His duty was to fill those cups with factual matter—reading, writing, and arithmetic. This is called "transmissive" education. In our day we are beginning to find that factual material is insufficient. A good teacher is concerned with each student as an individual and with the proper "interpretation" of subject matter. This modern "pupil-centered" and interpretative teaching is Christ's method. It is the technique of the Christian College.

During June we are focusing attention on Christian Education. This is the interpretative teaching of the Christian College (Religious Education is all of the teaching of the church and includes Christian Education). Our Christian Colleges are in a different business than are secular and state schools. We are seeking to interpret the knowledge of our day in terms of wholesome, constructive, Christian living, the state school is imparting facts! Thus, the Christian College has a double task; that is, imparting knowledge and interpreting it in the light of the Christian Life. This life is lived on the campus during college days—not just after graduation. The trend of our day is to speed up preparation for a life later on. We tend to intensify and condense present preparation "for life." Actually our young people are very much alive while in school! The teaching and atmosphere of the school is vital during formative college years. Let us provide the best in our Baptist colleges so that our young people will live vital Christian lives while in college. The person who constantly lives in or for the future is never happy.

A renowned scholar recently wrote that we do not need a "quick instructional bag of tricks" in our colleges, but we are concerned with the unfolding of the human mind and spirit. We are even embarked in a venture of faith in the Word. We want a col-

lege background to pay dividends in citizenship and even personal salvation.

Incidentally this university teacher mentioned above is a professor in an independent university and works in secular and state educational circles. Educational leaders across our nation are beginning to see the need of something more than the mere "transmissive" or teaching of facts.

Our Baptist Colleges therefore have a task worthy of our support. They are seeking to give the right interpretation to the classroom lessons, they are providing real life experiences for students while they are in school, and they are aiding in the "unfolding of the human mind." These three missions need Christ as center.

Our Baptist young people need colleges which will provide "Education for life." Life now and life in a changing world of the future.

"And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon him."

—Luke.

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Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—
Editor.

PASTORS HAVE TROUBLES

It is safe to assume that no class of men in the world is more intimately acquainted with trouble than pastors. They live among the people, and much of their time is spent grappling with serious problems—moral, economic, mental, physical and spiritual—which the people unload upon them in unending succession. This is as it should be, and no good pastor desires to be relieved of the load. The pastor is glad to do his best to help bear the burdens of his people, and they are all burdened. We venture to guess that no person besides pastors and those most intimately associated with them has any clear conception of the amount of time, energy, and soul-searching concern a good pastor gives in helping people in trouble. His life is, literally, not his own; and day and night, seven days in the week, holidays and work days, he is at the call of people in sickness, sorrow, and distress. This applies to every good pastor.

But pastors have their own troubles also. They have families, even as others do; and they are expected to rear their children on standards far above what most of the church people accept for themselves. That is not easy. They have financial obligations, very heavy ones; and often their income is totally inadequate; and, being human, they are worried at times. They get sick just as other people do, and illness takes its toll of spiritual reserves. They need and desire recreation, but not often do they have adequate facilities, and time is always precious. They want to make progress, and a certain amount of progress is

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demand in most cases; yet, often, every progressive move is blocked by some people who are afraid of all change. They are concerned, above all else, that the spiritual life of their people should prosper; and yet they are almost stifled by the floods of secularism that engulf the world in which they live. They want to study and pray so as to be able to "feed the sheep," and yet their time is so taken up with the constant demands of detailed activities that time and strength are not left for this important pursuit. Yes, pastors have their troubles.

But we would speak of another type of trouble common among pastors. (And here we have no particular cases in mind, as, indeed, an editor should not have; but use general terms relative to general experiences and principles.) It would, we believe, be surprising to know how frequently local opposition within the church, unkind criticism, lack of cooperation, etc., cause pastors to become anxious concerning their positions, discouraged in the work, and, consequently, low in efficiency, if not actually ill. Many a good pastor who is sensitive to such conditions carries a heavy heart and works with "lead in his shoes." Of course, there is no denying the fact that some pastors are misfits in their positions, and some are incompetent to succeed anywhere; but our plea is for the average good pastor who is not properly supported, and who is unkindly or unjustly criticized. A change of pastors is not needed nearly so much as a change in the attitude of some people in many churches. But, when a crisis comes in church-pastor relations, it is usually the pastor who has to go. The way of the pastor is often hard.

What do we suggest? One thing only. Let all who read these lines resolve to be more considerate of the pastors. Pray for them; cooperate with them; encourage them; and, by all means, refrain from opposing and criticizing them unless, as is rarely the case, a great principle is at stake. Then, if we must disagree with them, let us be sure to do so in an honest, sincere, kind and Christian spirit. Recognizing that the pastor has troubles, let us be sure that we are not adding to them.

—BAPTIST COURIER.

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DR. JOHN E. BARNES HAS FIFTH ANNIVERSARY AT MAIN ST. HATTIESBURG

Dr. John E. Barnes, pastor of Main Street Church in Hattiesburg, celebrated his fifth anniversary at the church on June 19.

The bulletin of that date, which was prepared by other members of the church staff and dedicated to the pastor, states that there have been a total of 1,466 additions during the ministry of Dr. Barnes at Main Street, 393 of whom were for baptism, and reaching a present church enrollment of 2,311. The average Sunday School attendance has increased from 431 to 769; the average B. T. U. attendance, from 145 to 249. The W. M. U. organizations have doubled, tithers have increased from 200 to more than 750.

Total receipts for the past year reached \$88,133, of which \$81,498 was channelled through the church budget.

YOUTH REVIVAL HELD AT BALDWIN JUNE 5-10

A six-day Youth Revival was held at Baldwin Church June 5-10. The daily schedule included morning watch, visitation, forums, prayer meetings, evangelistic services, and a fellowship period.

There were four professions of faith, three additions by letter and three rededications.

The pastor, Dr. Robert L. Palmer, appointed fifty young people on various committees to help the team members, all of Mississippi College: Ernest B. Myers, Cleveland, pastor of Old Byram Church, Jackson; Holmes H. Carlisle, Wesson, pastor of the Woodland Church, Chickasaw County; Martha Bates, Baldwin; James D. Hayes, Stonewall, majoring in sacred music.

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FORM ALABAMA UNIT OF PROTESTANTS-UNITED

MONTGOMERY, Ala.—(RNS)—An Alabama unit of Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State was formed here at a state-wide meeting attended by representatives of local units of the organization.

Dr. Howard M. Reaves, Baptist clergyman from Mobile, was elected president of the state group; Dr. C. B. Harbour, Mobile Methodist clergyman, was named secretary, and the Rev. H. E. Russell, Birmingham, a Presbyterian, was elected first vice-president.

Other vice-presidents, both clergy and laymen, it was announced, will be selected from localities throughout the state with particular emphasis on securing representation from various congressional districts, denominations, and geographical areas.

Dr. Glenn L. Archer, Washington, D. C., native executive secretary of the organization, told the meeting here that the chief idea behind Protestants-United was to "bring out in open debate the principle of the freedom of the Church from the State."

He added that Protestants-United "supported the constitutional rights of American citizens to the end that there shall be no established Church in the United States and that the machinery of State shall not be used to advance any one Church in the State."

Alabama is the third state unit to be issued a charter by the national organization of Protestants-United. Earlier, state units were formed in Ohio and Georgia.

Dr. Archer told Religious News Service that a northern California unit had also applied for membership in the national organization.

He said the request for a northern California charter was made at a meeting held in San Francisco, attended by representatives of local units.

In ten other states, he said, local units are planning state-wide meetings at which they will apply for state charters in the national body.

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DR. VICTOR I. MASTERS, FORMER editor of the Western Recorder, Ky., is at home in DeSoto, Florida, following a recent stroke.

THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY has taken steps to preserve copies of the Bible in event of atomic warfare.

R. E. McDONALD ACCEPTS PELAHATCHIE PASTORATE



REV. R. E. McDONALD

Rev. R. E. McDonald has accepted the pastorate of Pelahatchie Church and began his work there on June 1. Mr. McDonald came to Pelahatchie from Ebenezer Church, Bassfield, where he had served for three years.

He is a graduate of Clarke Memorial College and received the A. B. degree from Mississippi College and the B. D. degree from the New Orleans Seminary. Former Mississippi pastorates include Lake in Scott County, Sulphur Springs in Newton County, Sylvarena in Copiah County, and Dublin and Ebenezer in Jeff Davis Association.

Mr. and Mrs. McDonald, formerly Melby Lee Hill of Hanceville, Alabama, have two children, a daughter, 4, and a son, 6 months.

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SECOND AVENUE, LAUREL V.B.S. ENROLLS 191

Second Avenue Church, Laurel, has just completed a most successful Bible School, with 191 enrolled. An offering of \$26.47 was received to be given to the Cooperative Program.

The faculty included the following: Rev. J. H. Street, pastor; Julia Mae Martin, principal; Zelma Ann Melvin, pianist; Billie Jean Martin, Chorister; Billie Gill, secretary; J. W. Story, house-keeper.

Beginner Department: Mrs. Paul H. McClellan, superintendent; Mrs. H. L. Boutwell, Norma Brogan, Mrs. Woodrow Bush, Mrs. W. K. Crumpton, Mrs. Stone Hancock, Miss Ann Davis, Mrs. G. E. Mooney, Jr., Mrs. Mary Permenter, Mrs. H. C. Sullivan, Mrs. Troy Lee Walters, Mrs. Dalton Whigham.

Primary Department: Mrs. L. B. Wallace, superintendent; Mrs. D. M. Anderson, Mrs. Leonard Breazeale, Mrs. Wayne Cline, Miss Cherry Martin, Mrs. Ray Melton, Mrs. Floyd Parrish, Miss Thelma Stewart, Mrs. C. E. Thornton, Miss Shirley Wallace, Mrs. Clarence Walters, Miss Bobbie Winslett.

Junior Department: Mrs. P. C. Risher, superintendent; Jeannine Burkett, Mrs. Ernest Garvin, Sidney Lewis, Zelma Ann Melvin, Jane McLeod, Mrs. J. T. Patterson, Winona Stewart, Mrs. Clifton T. Stone, Mrs. W. A. Thomas, Mrs. L. L. Vinzant, Mrs. Harold Webb.

Intermediate Department: Billie Jean Martin, Anita Headrick, Betty Lou Swetman, Willie Vesta Winslett.

MACON REVIVAL ADDS 14

Macon Church has just closed a great revival. Dr. James W. Parrish, pastor of First Church, Laurel, was the visiting evangelist.

Rev. Glenn Merrill and Miss June Richardson, both of whom are Mississippi College students, did personal work during the week. Mr. Merrill also was in charge of the music and Miss Richardson was the pianist.

There were 14 additions to the church, 11 on profession of faith. The pastor, Rev. R. D. Pearson, says all the revival workers rendered exceptionally good service.

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FOREST CHURCH HAS VBS

The Forest Church has just completed a Vacation Bible School, 198 enrolled during the week. There were 133 certificates given to teachers and pupils for 100 percent attendance.

The school began on June 4 with enrollment day and a parade, and closed June 10 with Commencement exercises.

Mrs. W. R. Cain was principal of the school.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

| June 19, 1949 | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-----|
| Emmanuel (Hinds County) | 107 | 63 |
| Jackson, Van Winkle | 345 | 180 |
| Brookhaven, First | 796 | 238 |
| Siwell (Hinds County) | 116 | 116 |
| Beulah (Simpson County) | 205 | 138 |
| Laurel, Second Avenue | 237 | 87 |
| Pleasant Hill (Union County) | 97 | 18 |
| Kreole, First | 110 | 65 |
| Laurel, West | 325 | 115 |
| Durant, First | 198 | 58 |
| Delay | 40 | 19 |
| Zion (Pontotoc County) | 60 | 41 |
| Pleasant Hill (Lincoln County) | 94 | 66 |
| Rawls Springs (Lebanon Association) | 127 | 114 |
| Chalybeate | 53 | 31 |
| Cherry Creek (Pontotoc County) | 66 | 36 |
| Darling | 58 | 25 |
| Bethlehem (Jones County) | 111 | 96 |
| Mt. Zion (Lincoln County) | 119 | 75 |
| Houlka (Chickasaw County) | 109 | 63 |
| Friendship (Pike County) | 181 | 67 |
| Cross Roads (Webster County) | 82 | 43 |
| Carmel (Lawrence County) | 77 | 73 |
| Pleasant Valley (Simpson County) | 138 | 106 |
| Rocky Creek (George County) | 195 | 82 |
| Hebron (Jones County) | 53 | 64 |
| Crystal Springs | 578 | 168 |
| New Albany, First | 605 | 149 |
| Centerville | 150 | --- |
| Columbus, First | 792 | 202 |
| Kosciusko, First | 483 | 132 |
| Goss | 90 | 101 |
| Union Pearl River County | 192 | 135 |
| Bruce | 246 | 83 |
| McComb, East | 387 | 238 |
| Gulfport, First | 489 | 117 |
| Tangipahoa (Pike County) | 186 | 83 |
| Shady Grove (George County) | 130 | 118 |
| Wallerville | 92 | 29 |
| Hattiesburg, Main Street | 713 | 245 |
| Holly Springs (Neshoba County) | 35 | 38 |
| Friendship Church (Pike County) | 125 | 103 |
| Jackson, Southside | 197 | 60 |
| Jackson, Northside | 421 | 122 |
| Jackson, Calvary | 1,116 | 210 |
| Jackson, Calvary Mission | 25 | 25 |
| Jackson, First | 994 | 269 |
| Jackson, Parkway | 679 | 163 |
| Parkway Chapel | 111 | 38 |
| Byram (Hinds County) | 120 | 100 |
| Kosciusko, First | 504 | 148 |
| June 12, 1949 | | |
| Durant, First | 175 | 51 |
| West Corinth | 200 | 94 |

The Cooperative Program Is The Source Of Supply For Builders Of The Galilean Highway

JUNE 26 Is Special Cooperative Program Offering Day



STATE CAUSES — "MISSISSIPPI FOR CHRIST" — 55%

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| Christian Education | 22% |
| Mississippi College | 32% |
| Woman's College | 21% |
| Blue Mountain College | 27% |
| Clarke College | 20% |
| State Missions | 23% |
| Mississippi Baptist Hospital | 1% |
| Ministerial Education | 2% |
| Radio | 1 1/4% |
| Baptist Foundation | 3/4% |
| Baptist Orphanage | 5% |

SOUTHWIDE CAUSES — 45%

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| Foreign Mission Board | 50% |
| Home Mission Board | 17.5% |
| Southern Seminary | 4.5% |
| Southwestern Seminary | 4.5% |
| New Orleans Seminary | 4.5% |
| W. M. U. Training School | 1% |
| American Seminary | 2% |
| Relief and Annuity Board | 13% |
| Radio Commission | 1.9% |
| Baptist Brotherhood | 1% |
| Southern Baptist Hospital | 0.1% |



Through my gifts to the Cooperative Program, I build THE GALILEAN HIGHWAY.

Matthew 28:19-20

THE CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM is for:

1. SOUL-WINNING — FIRST, LAST, ALWAYS.
2. MISSIONS (HOME, STATE, FOREIGN) — ALL PLACES, ALL PEOPLE.
3. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.
4. HEALING THE SICK.
5. THE PURE RELIGION OF THE NEW TESTAMENT (James 1:27).

THE CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM springs from the Bible:

1. IT IS THE WORK OF A SPIRITUAL DEMOCRACY—carried on by
 - (1) CHURCHES
 - (2) PASTORS
 - (3) ASSOCIATIONS
 - (4) BOARDS
 - (5) SECRETARIES
 - (6) MISSIONARIES

THE CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM is Scriptural. KEEP MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS TREKKING FOR CHRIST THROUGH THE CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM.

OUR AIM—\$1,000,000 FOR THE CAUSE OF CHRIST THROUGH THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM IN 1949. EVERY BAPTIST CHURCH IN MISSISSIPPI SUPPORTING THE CAUSE OF CHRIST THROUGH THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM.

EVERY BAPTIST CHURCH IN MISSISSIPPI WINNING SOULS TO CHRIST IN 1949.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

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Associates: W. C. Morgan, Louise Hill, Alene Johnson

New Zion Church, Copiah County, Has Interesting Study Course

A letter and request for awards from Rev. W. C. Graves, pastor of the New Zion Church shows that the theme used in the study was "The Church." Each age group studied a book on the church: Juniors—"The Junior and His Church"; Intermediates—"The Meaning of Church Membership"; Young people, "Fields of Service In The Church," and the Adults, "Growing A Church." Quoting from his letter we give the following report:

"An interesting feature was added to provide for the Beginners and Primaries, both for their benefit and for the fact that it would enable the whole family to come if they would. We had different girls from the Intermediate and Young People's Departments to give a flannel board or picture story program for the first half-hour. Other girls came down then and gave the children a half-hour of supervised play on the yard of the church. Another pair of girls then took over and supervised hand-work was done. As you see, there was no worker appointed for the whole week, but with the use of some adults, nearly all of our Intermediate and Young People girls had experience. Not one of the girls had to miss more than thirty minutes from class during the week. On the last night of the course, the whole group marched down into the basement to view the work done by the little folk and to enjoy a peck of roasted peanuts and fellowship. We are frankly encouraged to believe that a "good taste was left" and that the next study course will be well received and well attended. We planned the work well in advance and consequently had a happy as well as useful study course with no dragging sessions. It helps when the teachers can be led to prepare and use good educational methods."

This church is to be commended on this fine preparation which resulted in a very helpful week of study. Mr. Robert Thornton, Route 3, Crystal Springs, is the Training Union Director.

First Jackson Promotes Helpful Missionary Activity

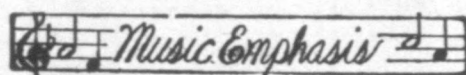
The two Young People's Departments of First Church, Jackson, have had as their missionary activity for this quarter the organization of a Training Union and the teaching of a study course in the New Hope Baptist Church. This is a colored church located at the corner of Woodrow Wilson Drive and Whitfield Mills Road in Jackson. The members of this church are very grateful for the help, and are proving it by their good attendance and cooperation. Rev. G. C. Hunte is the fine pastor.

Every person in the Young People's Departments has been given an opportunity to help. The work is under the direction of Miss Gladys Clements, Educational Secretary and Training Union Director of First Church, and Mr. John Jenkins, director of Young People's Department number two.

Twenty new units of Training Union were organized in Mississippi during the month of May. They are as follows: 3 Study Hours, 5 Junior Unions, 5 intermediate Unions, 3 Young People's unions and 4 Adult Unions.

Mississippi Association To Have Encampment Again

Mr. E. V. Moseley's bulletin entitled "Encampment News" keeps us posted on all the happenings in Mississippi Association. They are planning the assembly for their Associational Training Union this year on August 22-28 at Percy Quin Park. The churches are registering fast. So far the Centreville Church leads with the highest number registered to attend the encampment. This bulletin also contains the entire Training Union Calendar for each month. For the month of June the activities were: Mass Meeting—Assoc. Elimination Contests; District Training Union Convention and the "D" (Demonstration) Day Program held on the 18th.



First Week of District Conventions

Interest is high in the music participation during the first week of the District Conventions. Below is a record of ensembles and hymn players with ratings:

Junior Hymn Players:

Celeste Ferguson, Winona, Excellent; Francis Waits, Oxford, Fair; Lena Mae Jolly, Myrtle, Fair; Ann Jones, Rienzi, Fair; Nancy Garner, Booneville, Excellent; Diana Gibbs, Corinth, Good; Gay Oakley, Wheeler, Superior; Betsy Roebuck, Aberdeen, Good; Lucille Fox, Calhoun City, Excellent; Grace Young, Bruce, Excellent; Mary Elizabeth Collumns, Houlika, Excellent; Elizabeth Amaker, Scooba, Good; Willie Jean Murphy, Philadelphia, Excellent.

Intermediate Hymn Players:

Doris Taylor, Winona, Excellent; Thresa Davis, Greenwood, Excellent; Bonita Appleton, Byhalia, Fair; Doris Palmer, Holly Springs, Excellent; John Hester, New Albany, Excellent; Otho Wingo, Booneville, Excellent; Wilma Palmer, Booneville, Fair; Nellie Marie Goodger, Booneville, Good; Eddie Sue Hassell, Baldwin, Excellent; Myrtle Ann Cooper, Aberdeen, Excellent; Pat Page, Bruce, Excellent; Jeannene Vaughn, Columbus, Superior; Dorothy Agnew, Scooba, Excellent; Reba Haggard, Louisville, Excellent; Opal Parker, Philadelphia, Good.

Ensembles:

Winona, Excellent; First Baptist Church, Greenwood, Excellent; Tutwiler, Good; Holly Springs, Excellent; New Albany, Excellent; Wheeler, Excellent; Booneville, Superior; Calhoun City, Good; Bruce, Excellent; Aberdeen, Superior; Houlika, Excellent; Columbus, Superior; Scooba, Excellent; Pearl Valley, Good; Spring Creek, Excellent; Louisville, Excellent.

All of the Ensembles and hymn players listed above have qualified to enter the State Music Festival which will be held in connection with the State Training Union Convention

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

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CHAS. W. HORNER, Secretary BETTY PRESSON, Office Secretary

Ridgecrest, '49

This is being written during the 1949 Student Retreat at Ridgecrest. Still the crowd present is large—about 3,000. Still the enthusiasm is contagious. Still the messages are challenging. Ridgecrest of 1949 is, to all outward appearances, much the same as ever.

Yet, one can detect, we believe, a more positive note of "facing up" to reality more this year than ever before. College students and their leaders seem to be realizing more than ever the inadequacy of man and the infinite adequacy of God for this day. The messengers and the men who are bringing them are of a more practical nature than ever before. One has the feeling that more nearly than ever before the truth that the necessity of regeneration of the heart of man inevitably results in the needful application of the life-principles of Christ in every area of life every day is being brought before him. A larger percentage of the messages, we believe, are being brought this year by laymen who live continually in the middle of a material-

istic philosophy but who practice the spiritual philosophy of a Christ-guided life. In other words, this year's Retreat is causing many to see more clearly—some to see for the first time, perhaps—that being a Christian involves the whole life, starting at the center—the heart—and permeating the whole of one's being and activity.

Such men as the noted scientist, Dr. Raymond Seegar, of the Naval Ordnance Laboratory, Washington, D. C., and Mr. Charles A. Wells, globe-trotting journalist, are on the program along with inspirational pastor-preachers like Mississippi's Dr. Leo Green, now of Florida; Dr. R. G. Lee; Dr. Boyd Hunt; Dr. Roy Angell; Dr. Ted Adams; Dr. J. D. Grey, and others.

Mississippi's delegation, numbering about 150, is making its contribution to the social and spiritual success of this year's Retreat. We are praying as we descend from the mountain top of challenge and inspiration, we shall prove in the days to come to be better servants of Christ on our campuses and off.

Department of Temperance Activities

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MRS. W. S. MANSKER, Office Secretary

The wets shamefully smear the memory of Abraham Lincoln; a life long abstainer and prohibitionist, by quoting statements attributed to him which he never made. The Civic Bulletin published in New York gives some true statements of Abraham Lincoln on the liquor question appearing in an editorial from the February issue of the "Liberator" published at Glendale, California. These statements were given because of the disgraceful campaign waged by the liquor crowd during the campaign in California last fall. Hundreds of billboards carrying the picture of Abraham Lincoln tried to convince the voters that he was against local control in California by putting these words in his mouth: "A Prohibition law strikes at the foundation of good government." The wets refuse to cite the source of this quotation. It does not exist!

THE TRUE STATEMENTS OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN

"We have cleaned up a colossal job. Slavery is abolished. The next question will be the overthrow and the abolition of liquor traffic, and my head, and heart and hand and purse will go into that work."

"The liquor traffic has defenders, but no defense."

"The legalized liquor traffic is the tragedy of civilization... a cancer in society. It must be eradicated. Not a root must be left behind."

LINCOLN WAS A TOTAL ABSTAINER

When reproached for not accepting a toast, Lincoln said:

"I made a solemn pledge to my mother just a few days before she died that I would never use anything intoxicating as a beverage and I consider that pledge as binding today

on next December 29 and 30. A mass chorus of all ensembles has served in an effective closing of each convention during the past week.

(1847) as it was the day I gave it."

"When I was a young man, I made temperance speeches and I think I may say to this day (1863) I have never, by my example, belied what I then said."

Shortly after his nomination for the Presidency, when Lincoln's friend urged him to serve a toast, he replied:

"Gentlemen, we must pledge our mutual health in the most healthful beverage God has given to men. It is the only beverage I have ever used or allowed my family to use and I cannot conscientiously depart from it on the present occasion. It is pure Adam's ale from the spring."

In his Washington's Birthday Speech, delivered before the Washingtonian Temperance Society, in Springfield, Ill., February 22, 1842, Abraham Lincoln said:

"Whether or not the world would be vastly benefited by a total and final banishment from all intoxicating drinks seems to me not now an open question. Three fourths of mankind confess the affirmative with their tongues, and I believe all the rest acknowledge it in their hearts."

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MORTON REVIVAL ADDS 8

The Morton Church held a revival June 5-12. The pastor, R. Y. Gerrard, preached on June 5, the opening day of the revival. Rev. Wayne Todd, pastor of the Daniel Memorial Church of Jackson, was the visiting preacher and Rev. Tom Douglas, pastor of the Brooksville Church, had charge of the music. There were six professions of faith, two additions by letter, and many rededications.

The Sunday School reached an all time high attendance record by having 242 present. The Training Union also reached an all time high with 98 present. Miss Sue Merchant is BTU director and Ralph Simmons is Sunday School Superintendent.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary
PAUL D. BOOTHE, Associate
MRS. P. C. FRENCH, Office Secretary



MISS MARY VIRGINIA LEE

Miss Mary Virginia Lee, of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., will direct the Intermediate work at our statewide Sunday school Clinic at New Albany the week of August 29-September 2.

This means a great treat is in store for all those workers of our Intermediate boys and girls who attend this Clinic.

AND IT IS FREE TOO

Yes, sir, this Clinic at New Albany, Miss., the week of August 29-September 2, is free to the first 100 making application to attend on this free basis. The only cost to this first 100 is transportation and a registration fee of \$3.

So, give us your name at once to put on this free list. Even the books used at the Clinic will be given to this group of 100. Write us at once.

OUR SUMMER WORKERS

We are proud indeed of this fine group of summer workers that we have secured for this summer. Each summer we have a group of excellent workers who give several weeks each to helping in our summer program of Vacation Bible schools and training courses, largely in the rural churches.

On Friday, June 10, we had these workers for a clinic in the Assembly room of the Baptist Orphanage. This gave us the privilege of going over together the various items of our summer program.

HERE THEY ARE

We give below the names and home addresses of these summer workers: Misses Geraldine Parish, Prentiss; Mary Frances Palmer, Baldwin; Gwendolyn Harrington, Houston; Lorene Bridges, Slate Springs; Rachel Waggener, Jackson; Elizabeth McElroy, Baldwin; Vonnice Haire, Vardaman; Gladys Patch, Picayune; Ethel Cole, McComb; Bettye Denson, Lena; Mary Dunaway, Columbia; Martha Carolyn Wells, Newhebron; Merle Ballard, McCall Creek; Sadie Magee, Collins; Wilma Norman, New Albany; Ruth Armstrong, Womans College; Bobbie Dickson, Brandon; Frances Biggers, Lyon; Aliece Walley, Rich-ton; Mary Elizabeth Buckley, Taylorsville; Valeria Sherard, Kossuth; Annie Lloyd Byram, Union; Billie Marie Gammons, Belzoni; Bernice Lowry, Collinsville; Mrs. R. J. Sweetman,

Crystal Springs; Mrs. Jesse W. Megehee, Picayune; Mrs. C. J. Hughes, Louin, and Miss Ora Sue Hollis of Chalybeate.

They will be in many places this summer and will be a blessing to many people among whom they serve. They do it out of love for the work of Christ. Their financial remuneration will be small. Yes, we are proud to present these fine people to Mississippi Baptists as workers with the Sunday School Department for this summer.

VACATION SCHOOL CLINICS

More and better Vacation Bible school clinics were held this spring than ever before. The outlook for 1949 is indeed great in this fine part of our program. Many reports are already coming to us.

These associations had Vacation Bible school clinics this spring: Copiah, Holmes, Adams-Franklin, Lawrence, Lincoln, Leake, Jones, Smith, Winston, Oktibbeha County, Monroe, Pearl River, Sunflower, Yazoo, Union, Warren, Newton, Scott, Simpson, George, Mississippi, Pontotoc, Tippah, Calhoun, Attala, Panola, Walthall, and Yalobusha.

The Vacation Bible school time is now on in earnest; so let us all push it most vigorously for these next two months. The time is short.

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22 ADDED IN REVIVAL AT MAGNOLIA CHURCH

Magnolia Church, Jackson County, held a revival June 5-12, in which Rev. R. L. Vaughn did the preaching.

In preparation for the revival a series of prayer services were held, resulting in 14 additions to the church, 10 of which were for baptism. During the revival eight others were added to the membership, six on profession of faith, and making a total of 22 additions.

Each night before the services the following led group prayer meetings: Rev. M. E. Overstreet, adult men; Mrs. M. E. Overstreet, adult women; Rev. J. A. Pierce, and young people; Rev. M. V. Parker, children.

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CALENDAR OF PRAYER

- June 27—J. L. Wilson, Union Association Sunday School Superintendent; Junior R. A. Camp at Garaywa, Districts 8 and 2.
- June 28—Dr. Fred B. Moseley, George County Convention Board member; Stenly Upton, President, Marion Associational Brotherhood.
- June 29—Prof. James Womack, Clarke College faculty; Rev. A. W. Talbert, District 15 B. T. U. president.
- June 30—Prof. William A. Hoppe, Blue Mountain College faculty; Mrs. Frank Randall, Young People's leader, Panola Associational W. M. U.
- July 1—Ward Pepper, Yazoo Association B. T. U. Director; Miss Helen Bolt, BSU Secretary, Blue Mountain College.
- July 2—Mrs. Erle Hughey, Tunica, Riverside Association W. M. U. Superintendent; Rev. C. J. Smyly, Tippah County, Convention Board member.
- July 3—Bolivar Association-wide Evangelistic Campaign.

BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary — EDWINA MAY, Office Secretary

Hinds-Warren Goes Over Top

The Hinds-Warren Associational Brotherhood met with Terry Baptist Church, Monday evening, June 13, with their largest attendance and, as far as we know, the largest attendance of any Association since we came into the work in 1946. They served 252 men. We have never been to a more inspirational meeting. The program was by laymen with the exception of one pastor, Brother Booth. The men literally poured their hearts out in convincing messages in what the Brotherhood had done and could do in promoting our Lord's work. The Terry Church did itself proud by serving this great host of men with a fish supper. Brother Booth and his people do things in a big way. J. L. Daniell is president of the Association.

Lauderdale Steps To The Front

The Lauderdale County Associational Brotherhood is definitely in the ballgame in the matter of attend-

ance. We have in hand a report from Wayne Ousley, the Associational president, reporting an attendance of 175 men in their last meeting at First Baptist Church, Meridian. This is over double what their attendance was in 1948. Very probably they have shown a larger per cent of increase this year than any other Association. Brother Wayne reports three new Brotherhoods organized this quarter and that their next meeting will be at South Side Church, Meridian, September 13. Congratulations for a fine job.

Pike County Increases By Forty Per Cent

Pike County Association met at Magnolia last week in their quarterly meetings with an increase in their attendance of about forty per cent. Ralph Reeves, a fine president, had every detail planned and Dr. B. Frank Smith of Mississippi Woman's College brought a fine address on "Christian Education."

NEW HOPE PROJECT PROCEEDS COMPLETE PASTORIUM



NEW HOPE PASTORIUM
NESHOPA

New Hope Church in Neshoba County has just completed its new pastorium. The building was partially paid for with the proceeds from five acres of cotton, the first such project to be worked by the church. Shown above is the pastorium and the group of men who worked the project; five who worked on the project are not in the group picture.

New Hope was organized in 1839 and was the first full-time church in Neshoba County. Rev. W. B. Boatman is the present pastor.



NEW HOPE PROJECT
NESHOPA CO.

28 MAKE HONOR ROLL AT BLUE MOUNTAIN

BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., June 17—The honor roll for the second semester of the 1948-49 session of Blue Mountain College has just been announced. Evelyn Hill, Luxora, Ark., led the list. Mary Kate Lowrey, Clarksdale; Mary Louise Oakley, Potts Camp, and Emily Owen, Memphis, Tenn., tied for second place. Edeen Harris, Gunnison, and Mary Dean Hollis, Chalybeate, tied for third place.

Other students attaining the honor roll are: Martha Ann Cooper, Handsboro; Eloise Ellis, Jackson; Cynthia Porter, Townville, S. C.; Betty Jane Rodgers, Yazoo City; Patricia Ann Hicks, Mobile, Ala.; Merna Jean Hocum, Memphis, Tenn.; Rosalind Owen, Clanton, Ala.; Virginia Rutledge, Fulton; Mary Blanche McMullen and Margaret McMullen, Sumner; Miriam Preston, Nashville, Tenn.; Virginia Shelton Smith, Ripley; Jeane Duncan, Griffin, Ga.; Ruth Russell, New Albany; Jean Lipsey, Memphis, Tenn.; Letitia Bigelow, Memphis, Tenn.; Bobbe Carr, Sumner; Wilene Coker, Blue Springs; Doris Dempsey, Waltham, Mass.; Betty Sue Dixon, Oakville, Tenn.; Betty Rosalyn Harper, Trenton, Tenn.; Grace Schwenker, Kirkwood, Mo.

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REV. J. P. HOLCOMB, PASTOR, reports a splendid revival meeting at Eastabuchie Church. There were 16 additions, 7 by baptism. A VBS has also been in session with Mrs. D. C. Holcomb serving as superintendent.

HEAR THE BAPTIST HOUR

June 26, 1949.

Sunday morning at 7:30 o'clock.

Speaker—Dr. J. D. Grey.

Heard in Mississippi over radio stations WJMB, Brookhaven; WFOR, Hattiesburg; WSLI, Jackson; WAML, Laurel; WTOK, Meridian; and at 8:30 over WAZF, Yazoo City.

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HATTIESBURG HOSPITAL ORGANIZES B.S.U.

The Baptist nurses who are in training in the Methodist Hospital in Hattiesburg have organized a Baptist Student Union. The following officers have been elected to serve on the Executive Council: President, Virginia Peter; 1st Vice President, Ouda Barr; 2nd Vice President, Grace Hudson; 3rd Vice President, Donnis Thompson; Secretary, Elaine Harvison; Treasurer, Mary Nell Harrington; Pianist, Billie Smith; Chorister, Emma Hutson; Reporter, Yvonne Lang; Publicity Chairman, Fay Rogers; B. S. U. Magazine Representative, Helen Rowell; Faculty Advisor, Joyce Sigrest.

Officers were installed on June 15 at the Main Street Church in Hattiesburg following a Parent-Teacher Supper, where they were guests. Riley Munday, Student Secretary at Mississippi Southern, presented the officers. Dr. John E. Barnes, Main Street pastor, brought the address.

• Southern Baptist Foreign Missions •

M. THERON RANKIN,
Executive Secretary

FRANK K. MEANS,
Secretary Education and Promotion

Advance Abroad Depends On Advance in Homeland

The most significant action taken at the Oklahoma meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention was the adoption of the program of advance recommended by the Executive Committee. This program calls for advance in all Southern Baptist undertakings, beginning with the local churches and extending through all state and Southwide agencies.

The Advance Program of the Foreign Mission Board, calling for an annual budget of \$10,000,000 and a total missionary staff of 1750, now becomes a part of this larger program of advance of the Southern Baptist Convention. The program of the Foreign Mission Board finds itself like one of a number of boats on the crest of a rising wave. As the whole wave climbs higher the program of the Foreign Mission Board will automatically go up. This is the great strength beneath the Foreign Mission Board's program.

If the larger program adopted at Oklahoma City is achieved in 1950, the Foreign Mission Board's total income from all sources during that year will amount to approximately \$8,500,000. If this income can be assured over a period of years the Foreign Mission Board's outlook for real advance in world missions is more hopeful than it has ever been before.

There must be a large advance in the number of missionary volunteers if we are to make full use of advance in financial receipts. We must depend on our churches, colleges and seminaries to provide this increase in missionary volunteers.

—M. Theron Rankin.

Foreign Mission Week at Ridgecrest

"Missionary Advance" is the theme of the Foreign Missions Conference at Ridgecrest this summer. President Ellis A. Fuller of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary will bring the opening address at 7:40 p. m. on July 28; Secretary Duke K. McCall of the Southern Baptist Convention will bring the closing address at 11:10 a. m. on August 3.

Other addresses scheduled on the theme of advance are by Secretary M. Theron Rankin of the Foreign Mission Board, Secretary Andrew Potter of the Oklahoma Baptists Convention, and Secretary C. Darby Fulton of the foreign missions division of the Presbyterian Church in the United States. Dr. Merrill D. Moore, director of promotion for the Southern Baptist Convention, is to present a program on implementing the Advance Program.

Dr. Josef Nordenhaug, editor of The Commission will preach the Sunday morning sermon. A call for consecration to Christian service is scheduled for Sunday night under the direction of Mr. Samuel E. Maddox of the Foreign Mission Board. Eleven missionaries and one Japanese Christian will address the conference. Dr. Ray Summers of Southwestern Baptist Seminary will direct a daily Bible Hour.

Shanghai Missionaries Prepared

Secretary Baker J. Cauthen reported all missionaries safe and no apparent property damage in Shanghai as Communists took over the city. There are twenty-nine missionaries in Shanghai and eleven others in the Central China Mission area. About 1,500 Americans remain in the city.

Shanghai missionaries were prepared for Communist occupation. Ample food supplies had been laid in. Each missionary had personal funds for three months. Fuel for the winter had been delivered. Advance payments had been made to native workers and institutions. Dr. Frank Connelly, treasurer, had an emergency reserve fund in Shanghai in case the city should be cut off from other funds. Emergency medical supplies and a doctor were made available for missionaries. Quarters inside the city were secured to accommodate missionaries in outlying areas. An office was opened in Hong Kong for trans-action of China mission business.

Pressing mission problems in South China and the Philippines called for the presence of Secretary Cauthen. Communist armies were advancing into South China where Southern Baptists have forty-five missionaries and eighteen children and American Government officials were urging evacuation of that area. It began to appear that Shanghai might be passed by until Nationalist strength was broken in the south. Feeling that he had a reasonably good chance of going to Canton and Gaguio Magulo and getting back to Shanghai before any crisis could develop, he decided to risk the trip. He was in Hong Kong on the return trip when Shanghai fell.

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Tillatoba, Yalobusha Assoc. Completes VBS-4 Professions

Tillatoba Church in Yalobusha Association closed its Vacation Bible School with Commencement Exercises on May 17. Of the enrolled 55, there was an average attendance of 52.

The Bible School resulted in four professions of faith by juniors. The \$15 mission offering will be given to the Baptist Orphanage.

Rev. L. D. Baird, Courtland pastor, was principal of school and was assisted by the following faculty: Intermediate Department, Mrs. M. A. Wingo, Superintendent, and Donna Sue Boone, who also served as general secretary; Junior Department, Mrs. J. A. Massey, superintendent, and Betty Jane Massey; Primary Department, Miss Katy Jo Walton, superintendent, and Hannah Jane Schultz, who also served as pianist; Beginners Department, Mrs. E. M. Chancellor.

Assisting in serving refreshments were Mrs. Catherine Hudson, Mrs. Willie Payne, Mrs. J. B. Hartley, Mrs. Grady Kyle, Mrs. Roy Lyons, Mrs. Bernice McCommon.

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DR. S. W. EUBANKS HAS BEEN elected president of Ouachita College in Arkansas.

Sparks & Splinters

WE HAVE AN ESKIMO IN SCHOOL here by the name of Ivan Jordan. Because of the small number of summer school students enrolled in our Secondary Department, we were not able to offer a course which Ivan had not had. He will be on the campus this summer and he is interested in Sunday supply work. He does not have a car to get to his appointments which he may get.

—Troy Mohon, Dean of Instruction, Clarke College.

THE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT First Church, Philadelphia, ended on June 10. There were 249 enrolled, the largest enrollment in the history of the church.

ALTHOUGH IT COMES IN A ROUND-about way, the Baptist Record is glad to report (information by way of the Western Recorder) that "Rev. Louis Ward Stanger, pastor of the Walnut Church, has been elected Associational Missionary for Rankin County Baptist Association (Mississippi), and will take up residence at Brandon, Mississippi June 15. Brother Stanger was formerly pastor in Kentucky at Greensburg, Carolina, and Morganfield."

ON JUNE 12 I FILLED THE PULPIT for Dr. W. A. Sullivan of Natchez, whom I baptized in 1902. Six united with the church, three on profession of faith.—D. W. MOULDER.

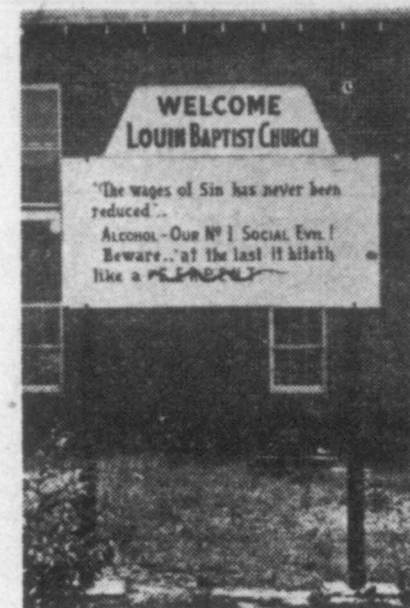
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary of the Sunday School Department, has an interesting article in the July issue of the Sunday School Builder entitled "So You Teach in a Rural School." She gives simple and workable plans for providing many of the things that many rural teachers do not have.

THE CASE AGAINST THE WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES by Dr. Chester E. Tulga and published by the Conservative Baptist Fellowship, 352 Wellington Avenue, Chicago, is well worth the price of 25c. Southern Baptists have been criticized going and coming for not lining up with the World Council. This book should be in the hands of all Southern Baptists.

DR. JOHN TAYLOR ALTON, Prominent Methodist minister of Columbus, Ohio, writing in The Christian Century, March 9, page 308, says: "The encroachment of the Roman Catholic on the freedom of the press is illustrated in a recent incident here in Columbus. On January 22 The Ohio State Journal published a story with a picture of a priest who had renounced his vows and married outside the Roman church. Bishop Michael J. Ready called for a boycott of The Journal and thousands of subscriptions were cancelled . . . an apology was printed January 24, and I am reliably informed that the person handling the story was discharged." This is the brand of freedom the Hierarchy promises America.

OLYMPIA, WASH.—(RNS)—THE Washington State Supreme Court has ruled, 6 to 2, that public-school districts are under no obligation to transport parochial school pupils. The high court affirmed a Whatcom County Superior Court's refusal to order a school district to open its buses to children attending a school operated by the Christian Reformed denomination. The court held that transportation of private or parochial school students in public-school buses was not permissible under the State Constitution.

DR. W. F. POWELL WAS RE-ELECTED president of the Sunday School Board in the annual meeting last week. Dr. Austin Crouch was the Anniversary speaker for the meeting.



Shown above is the church sign which is on the grounds of the Louin Church. Rev. C. J. Hughes is the pastor.

40 & 25 Years Ago

By J. L. Boyd, Sr.

40 YEARS AGO

The "beautiful house of worship and pastor's home" of the First church of Yazoo City was destroyed by fire, with a personal loss to the pastor, Rev. W. J. Derrick, of two hundred dollars.

The First Church of Biloxi has just closed a revival meeting, with ten additions to the membership. Pastor J. B. Searcy had Rev. J. P. Culpepper to assist.

The East McComb Church closed a ten days meeting with five by baptism and ten by letter. Pastor J. H. Lane had Elder T. C. Schilling to assist.

25 YEARS AGO

The Collins Church lost its house of worship by storm, but the greatest loss was in the persons of Misses Jane Mosely Robertson and Sara Myrtle Bass and others.

Miss Elizabeth Keethly returns to Shanghai, China, having recovered from a lingering illness which was caused from an attack of Asiatic cholera while she was on the field previously.

Mt. Olive Church, Rev. A. S. Johnston, pastor, plans a great county-wide Baptist evangelistic campaign with Dr. M. E. Dodd, assisting.

Prof. D. M. Nelson delivered the address to the combined graduating classes of Mississippi College and Hillman College, "the biggest and in some ways the best classes" yet to be sent out, more than a hundred in all. Seven young women received degrees from Mississippi College, all of them with distinction or special distinction.

The new house of worship of the Holly Springs Church "was literally packed full" at the first service. Pastor E. L. Wesson delivered the message, "The Church and Its Work."

DURING THE MONTH OF MAY Baptist World Alliance handled 239 new cases for immigration with 214 for the United States.

AMONG RECENT VISITORS IN THE office of the Baptist Record were: Rev. B. E. Phillips, New Hebron; Rev. R. E. McDonald, Pelahatchee; Rev. A. B. Pierce, Kosciusko; Mrs. L. M. Hatcher, Knoxville, Tennessee; Rev. Ray McClung Dykes, Vaughn; Jimmie Pittman, John Baggett, Columbia; Malcolm Davis, Columbia; Jackie Pittman, Foxworth; Mr. and Mrs. Atley Kitchings, Charlottesville, Virginia; Rev. Fred Bookter, McComb; Rev. Q. E. Floyd, Raleigh; Noel Barlow, Jackson.

Sunday School Lesson

Prepared By
BRACEY CAMPBELL

June 26. COMMANDS OF THE KING.
Matthew 28:16-20; Acts 1:4-14.

I. The Post Resurrection Appearances

There were ten of these, the first five on resurrection day, the sixth was to the eleven disciples, Thomas being present, the seventh, to a company of the disciples by the seaside after they had spent a night fishing, the eighth and tenth come before us in this lesson, the ninth being to James under circumstances of which we know nothing. His words as we have them on record in these appearances are as natural as can be, and yet are remarkable. The very words bear the stamp of their genuineness; for they are not such words as any man trying to make up a story would put into the mouth of his imaginary hero. They are the words of one who is conscious of victory. Let us look together very briefly at the greatness of some of them.

II. The Great Commission Matthew 28:16-20

There are in this passage four great things that make it the Great Commission.

1. A Great Claim. "All authority hath been given unto me in heaven and on earth" (Matt. 28:18). What merely mortal man would presume to make that claim. None! Except he be insane or the greatest of all imposters. Strange that men who seek to disprove His deity and yet hold Him to be a good man should ignore the fact that, if He be not what He claims to be in this great claim, He is an imposter and a cheat. "All authority," over all the heavens with their far-flung spaces, their rolling systems and gleaming orbs; all authority over this solid-seeming earth, its tribes of man and tongues of nations. "All authority!" The greatest claim ever framed by human lips.

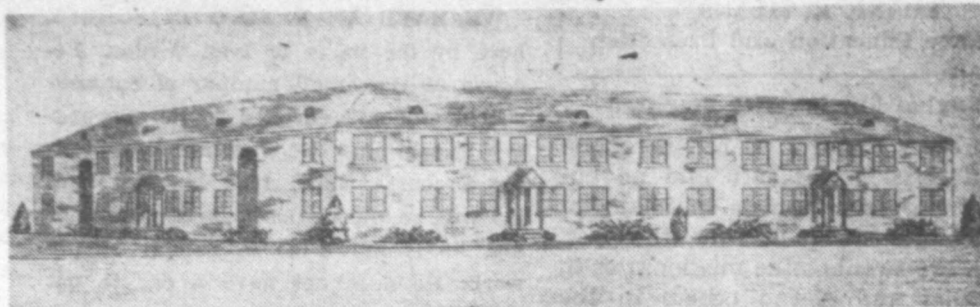
2. A Great Command. "Go ye, therefore" (Matt. 28:19). Wherefore? "Because All authority hath been given unto me." Upon this ground He presumes to command them "Go," and going continue going and going. "Therefore, ye going," continuing your going and never ceasing your going, persist everlastingly in your going. Your task is to be forever in process of completion, but never done. Well, that is the Christian religion.

It consists of two commands with their corresponding action of obedience. The first of the words is, Come! It is the word of the Lord to all the sons of men who have not tasted to see that the Lord is good. When a man, any man has obeyed that gracious command, accepted that merciful invitation, there follows the second word of command, and that word binds him as long as he lives, and the word is, GO! To the ends of the earth, beginning where he is, thence outward as far as the ocean bears his foam.

3. A Great Task. "Make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the son and of the holy ghost, teaching them to observe" to practice, to do, "all things whatsoever I have commanded you" (Matt. 28:19-20). The most difficult work in the world is teaching. It is harder to teach men to forsake old paths for new, old forms for new, old ways for new, old lives for new, than to do anything else in the world.

4. A Great Consolation, A Great Encouragement. "I am with you always, even unto the end of this age," of this world order, of the warring kingdoms of this world system. Wherever you meet in my name, I am there! Wherever you

MOST PRESSING NEEDS AT CLARKE COLLEGE LISTED Financial Goal Is \$350,000, Campaign Yielded \$131,623



By DR. O. P. MOORE,
Director of Public Relations,
Clarke College

Many of our Baptist people over the state have been inquiring just how far Clarke Memorial College's Strengthening and Improvement Program has gone.

The original Program called for the raising of \$350,000 to be used as follows: \$125,000 for a girls' dormitory; \$125,000 for a new Administration Building; \$60,000 for a Dining Hall-Activities Building; and \$40,000 for repairs.

The amount received in the Campaign to date is \$131,623.26, which, as will be seen, is less than one-half of what the Program called for. This money has been used for the most pressing needs first. Extensive repairs have had to be made; many unforeseen.

The new Dining Hall and Activities Building is nearing completion. Overhead expense in the campaign, designated memorials, a small amount of cash on hand, and inventories of

go in my name I go. Whatever you undertake in my name and because I have commanded you, I am there to strengthen you unto success, and whatever strength you need to insure success, I give, and victory!

III. The Ascension Prohibition and Command (Acts 1:6-8)

1. The impertinent question. "Lord, dost thou at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" They wanted to reign with Him in an earthly and political kingdom, to see the glory of Solomon restored and to have their big part in the honor of it. They had for a moment ceased to think of the realm of righteousness, even of His words, "My kingdom is not of this world."

2. The Pertinent answer. "It is not for you to know times or seasons." Ah, how many hours of work have been wasted by the servants who will still try to determine the times and to stir up the brethren and sister, and especially the sisters, by calculating the times and seasons when the Lord comes and makes them His glorious servants with authority to command obedience of other people.

3. The Task Assigned. "Ye shall receive power . . . and ye shall be my witnesses." You are not to be ornaments in the temple—most of us are not ornamental, at least, not extravagantly so—but laborers in the harvest fields of the Master's world. Where is that world? Around you at home. I write these words in my office at Mississippi College, and as I write them, I sit in the very center, for me, of the wide-stretching field of my labors for the Master to be done here, and for me, the largest and toughest part of it will be required by the chap who wears my shoes and my hat. And from him outward to the fine young men and young women, in number sufficient to spread His fame and carry His name to the uttermost ends of the earth. In the church to which you belong, roadside, village or city, there is enough young life to glorify for Him the whole state if you will only by faithful witness win it for Him.

materials unused account for the difference between the cost of repairs, the new building we have, and the \$131,623.26 which has been received to date.

Clarke's next most pressing need is a dormitory for girls. In this same issue you will find an architect's drawing of the proposed building. A schedule of memorials is also given. Individuals and churches are requested to prayerfully consider taking one or more of these memorial.

Schedule of Memorials:

\$50,000 Administration Building.
50,000 Dormitory for Girls.
30,000 Student Activities Bldg.
10,000 Auditorium.
5,000 Hallway, wing, or section.
2,500 Classroom.
2,500 Dormitory 5-room suite.
1,000 Business Office or parlor.
500 Dormitory room.

The name of the person memorialized will be properly inscribed.

We believe that Mississippi Baptists desire to see the Strengthening and Improvement Program at Clarke Memorial College completed. The only Mississippi Baptist institution which does not have an adequate plant for the task it is called to do, or funds for the building of the same, is Clarke College.

HER APPEAL IS STILL, "HELP CLARKE MEET A NEED THAT ONLY CLARKE CAN MEET." WE ARE SURE THAT THE SCHOOL OF THE FORGOTTEN MAN WILL NOT BE FORGOTTEN BY MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS.

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SOUTHSIDE, JACKSON, ENROLLED 91 IN V.B.S.

Southside Church, Jackson, has just completed a Vacation Bible School in which 91 were enrolled.

Approximately 75 participated in a VBS parade on Saturday morning preceding the school. Commencement exercises were held on June 11.

Hudson Dismukes was principal of the school. Rev. S. W. Valentine is the pastor.

225 MISSISSIPPIANS AT RIDGECREST BSU WEEK

Approximately 225 Mississippi college students and adult leaders in student work were among the 2,100 delegates who attended the annual student week conference at Ridgecrest, North Carolina, June 8 to 15.

In a week of Bible study, workshops, and seminars on faith and action, with two general meetings each day, these students received inspiration and knowledge which will bring them back to their home churches with renewed vitality for Christian service.

Over 150 decisions to devote their lives to full-time Christian service were made during the conference, and several confessions of faith. Many of those not going into full-time jobs, nevertheless, dedicated their lives in their chosen professions to Christ.

In addition to many noted ministers, several prominent lay workers were speakers at the general meetings. Among these were Dr. Raymond J. Seeger, of the Naval ordnance laboratory, Washington, D. C., a noted physicist and atomic energy research worker; Charles A. Wells, journalist, cartoonist, editor, and world traveler; Brooks Hayes, congressman from Little Rock, Ark.; Dr. S. H. Frazier, physician and surgeon, and T. Russ Hill, president of Rexair Inc., Detroit.

Additional main speakers were Dr. T. F. Adams, pastor of the First Baptist church of Richmond, Va.; Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., secretary for Latin America of the Foreign Missions board; Mrs. Owen F. Herring, former south-wide student secretary; Dr. C. E. Matthews, superintendent of evangelism of the Home Missions board; Dr. M. T. Rankin, executive secretary of the Foreign Missions board, and Dr. J. O. Williams, secretary, division of education and promotion, Sunday School board.

Mississippians on the faculty included Miss Helen Bolt, Louie Farmer, Jr., Miss Betty Hubbard, Miss Marian F. Leavell, S. A. Salter, and Miss Dora Etta Solomon, student secretaries; Charles W. Horner, state student secretary, Jackson, Mrs. James H. Street, Laurel, and Mrs. Sybil Brame Townsend, former associate southwide student secretary, Yazoo City.

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PASTOR HOMER W. ROBERSON, OF East Church, Greenville, is preaching two series of sermons at the same time. The morning series is entitled "The Seven Churches of Asia Minor"; the evening series is "Great Doctrines of the Bible."

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President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y.—Miss Edwina Robinson
Young People's Sec'y.—Miss Nell Taylor

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July 12-16
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Camp opens Tuesday morning; Closes Saturday at noon.

OUT OF STATE SPEAKERS: Mrs. Rosalee Mills Appleby, South Brazil; Mrs. Noble Y. Beall, Home Mission Board; Mrs. David Mein, North Brazil; Dr. and Mrs. Edward McDowell, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.

PROGRAM PLANS: Bible Hour, Missions at Home and Abroad, Conferences, fellowship, recreation, etc. Wednesday 13, Mission Study Emphasis; Thursday 14, Stewardship Emphasis; Friday 15, Community Missions Emphasis.

BRING: Sheets (single beds), pillow case, towels, Bible, W. M. U. Manual, flash light, etc.

SEND: Name and addresses of those from your society who plan to spend the entire period—also \$1 registration fee (part of the \$10 cost) by July 8 to: W. M. U. Office, Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi.

COME: Bring a large delegation from your Society and spend the day, if you cannot come for the entire week. You can have lunch with the group (60c) provided you report it to the office (camp) when you arrive.

DIRECTOR W. M. U. CONFERENCE



MISS ALMA HUNT

Miss Alma Hunt, Executive Secretary Woman's Missionary Union S. B. C. will be the director of the W. M. U. Conference at Ridgecrest August 4-10. She will be assisted by others from W. M. U. Headquarters at Birmingham. This will give opportunity for fellowship and inspiration with women from over the south, as well as Missionaries and Speakers from other countries.

The Mississippi delegation plans to go by chartered bus. Already a large group of Business Women and other Women have registered for this trip. All room reservation for Ridgecrest and space on the bus will be secured from the W. M. U. office, Box 530,

Jackson, Miss.

Miss Almarine Brown, Chairman State B. W. C. Federation and Miss Edwina Robinson, Executive Secretary will be in charge of the delegation.

ATTENTION COMMUNITY MISSION CHAIRMEN: Opportunities you will want to know about for the Negro Women and Young People in your Community.

1. NEGRO WOMEN'S INSTITUTE FOR LEADERS—August 23-26, Jackson College, Jackson, Miss. Cost for entire period \$8 (all to be paid to the College). The names of those planning to attend should be sent to this office by Aug. 18 (W. M. U. Office, Box 530, Jackson, Miss.).

There will be conferences on Methods for Societies, Young People's Organizations, Vacation Bible School, etc.

2. NEGRO GIRLS' CAMPS—Camp Lubaloo (Near Clinton) under the direction of Lillian Rose, Negro Field worker. Girls 12-14 years of age, Aug. 15-17; Girls 15-20 years of age, Aug. 17-20. Registration fee, 50c per girl. Names of girls planning to attend should be in this office by 5 days before camp. Meals at camp are furnished by the W. M. U.

3. NEGRO BOYS' CAMP—Camp Lubaloo (Near Clinton) under the direction of Walter Bisbee, R. A. Secretary. Boys 12-16 years of age. Registration fee 50c each. Names of boys planning to attend should be in this office by five days before camp.

Hattiesburg, First Sponsors Missionaries

First Church, Hattiesburg is sponsoring two missionaries, Mrs. James A. Foster and Rev. Lonnie A. Doyle, Jr.

The Woman's Missionary Society in its Lotty Moon Offering raised \$1,000 which goes on the salary of one and the church voted to pay a like amount which goes on the salary of another.

Mrs. Foster is a graduate of Blue Mountain and the W. M. U. Training School at Louisville, Kentucky. Mr. Doyle was born in Clinton, Mississippi, while his father was a student at Mississippi College, but soon after, removed to Texas where his father has served various pastorates. He is a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University in Texas, and was a combat pilot in the European Theater of War.

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TOXISH HAS YOUTH WEEK

On the closing day of Youth Week, June 5-12, at Toxish Church in Pontotoc County, the youth of the church were in charge of all offices of responsibility. The week's theme was "Youth Found Faithful." Rev. Paul Harwood, pastor, addressed the congregation on "Found Faithful in Stewardship" and "Found Faithful in Yielding to God's Will."

There were three professions of faith and five dedications to Christian service.

Lamar Waters served as superintendent of the Sunday School, and Virginia Waters was director of the B. T. U. Others who held responsible places were: James Robert Waters, James Williams, Wayne Eddington, Virginia Waters, Alvin Ashmore, Berry Hill, Nora Alice Stegall, Jodye Jernigan, Betty Faye Owens, Melba Coker, Mary Nell Ouzts, Mary Ethel Stegall, Edward Mayo, Norma Brown, Bobby Dee McCreight, Marie Byrd, Earl Gilbert, Margene Gilbert, and Milton Smith.

The deacons were J. W. Waters, Bobby Gene Brown, Wayne Eddington, Lamar Waters, Edward Mayo, and Alvin Ashmore.

Counsellors for Youth Week were Mrs. William Jackson, Mrs. Mark McCleskey, and Mrs. George Owens.

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Good Hope Ordains Deacons

Two members of Good Hope Church in Leake County were ordained as deacons on June 12. They were Bobbie Chennault and Ewing Fletcher.

The pastor, Rev. Homer McDonald, presided and Rev. C. W. Smith, Lena, brought the message.

The presbytery was composed of deacons from Lena, Cedar Grove, and Good Hope Churches, and Rev. George Nutt, a former pastor at Good Hope.

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THE BAPTIST BELIEF

By J. A. THIGPEN,
Shaw, Mississippi

Baptists believe that there is but ONE essential to salvation: "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved." Baptists do not believe there are ANY sacraments. Baptists have two ordinances and only two: Baptism and the Lord's supper. They have NO efficacy but are merely a pantomime showing that the person who goes through them believes that Christ died (Lord's Supper—broken body and spilled blood) that He was buried and that He rose again (baptism). Baptism BEFORE a person believes can not mean anything. When the Eunuch wanted to be baptized, Philip told him that if he believed that Jesus was the Messiah then he could be baptized. Act 8-13. Simon believed and was baptized. Acts 10-47. "Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we."

Baptists do not allow anyone to take the Lord's supper with them who has not gone through the pantomime showing that they believe that Christ died, was buried and rose again, or even those who were immersed but belong to a church which places any other interpretation on baptism than a showing forth of Belief.

Two passages in the Bible would indicate from superficial reading that Baptism MIGHT have some efficacy. Mark 16:16, "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved;" but the latter part of the sentence says "but he that believeth not shall be damned." If failure to believe is the basis for damnation of necessity Believing would save from damnation. Also notice that Baptism is placed AFTER believing, here as elsewhere in the Bible. The other passage: John 3-5: "Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he can not enter into the Kingdom of God." However, if we read the next verse we find "That which is born of flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit." In other words only that person who is born a physical birth (a child is carried in water until its birth) and then is born spiritually by BELIEF in the Lord Jesus Christ can enter the Kingdom of God. Must be born of the flesh (water) and of the Spirit to enter.

The thief on the cross was not baptized and yet we have Christ's own words that he would enter Paradise that very day with Christ, because he BELIEVED.

To have God as our father, we must be twice born as the above quotation from John 3 states, "Ye must be born of the water and the Spirit to enter the kingdom of God." As we can not be unborn from our Earthly family, so we can not be unborn from our Spiritual family. Only physical death can take us out of our earthly family. When we are spiritually born, we have ETERNAL life—we are born with it. Then if we have eternal life we can not come into condemnation. A person who is a member of God's family ought to live so as to bring credit on his family. If he does not his Father, God, will chastize him but He will not send His child to Hell. See: Matthew 7:11 and 1st Cor. 3, 9-15.

Baptists do not believe in the pres-



Forty-nine members of Moselle Church are shown above as they chop cotton in a 15-acre field belonging to Dan Mooney who donated the use of the field to the church. Proceeds from the cotton will be used to pay the indebtedness incurred three years ago when Moselle Church was remodeled. Rev. J. N. Holloway is the pastor and D. J. Townsend is chairman of the project committee.

ent popular idea of the COMMON MAN. They believe that each individual personality has different talents and that he is responsible to God as to how he uses them, as Christ illustrated in the parable of the talents.

God does not want a COMMON Church, ONE Church, He established Churches where each person could worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience. One church—no matter what its name—would have one set of dogma and some people could not worship God according to the dictates of their conscience and subscribe to that dogma. One Church, even the Baptist, would soon or later have the civil government enforcing its decrees by civil law, as it would be so powerful that the state could not resist. That would do away with individual freedom to worship God according to the dictates of one's own conscience. So Baptists believe in Churches and not in THE Church.

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Richland V.B.S. Enrolls 140

Richland Church, Florence, recently closed its Vacation Bible School. The enrollment reached 140.

At the consecration service on Friday, ten juniors and intermediates signified their acceptance of Christ as their Saviour, and sixteen others came forward in rededication of their lives.

Mrs. Jewel Hannon was the principal and was assisted by the following workers: Intermediate Dept., M. W. Steen, Mrs. W. W. Harris and Mrs. Jim Hedgepeth; Junior Department, Mrs. Tommy Johnson, Mrs. Graves Eady, Mrs. M. G. Ridgeway, and Mrs. Dan Henderson; Primary Department, Mrs. Alvey Butler, Mrs. Johnnie Brogan, Mrs. Charles Bridges, and Bobbie Nell Scarborough; Beginner Department, Dot Denman, Catherine Broome, Juanita Thomas, Mrs. George Bangs, and Mrs. Doris Byrd; Refreshments, Mrs. Lois Ruff and Mrs. Marjorie Wilson; Frances Jo Renno, General Secretary; and Vivian Steen, Pianist. Rev. Charles L. Phipps is the pastor.

PROVIDENCE VBS ENROLLS 136—FIVE PROFESSIONS

Providence Church, Forest County, has closed one of the greatest Vacation Bible Schools of our experience.

There were 136 enrolled with an average attendance of 112. There were five professions of faith who united with the Church. One of the professions of faith was one of the pupils' mother.

The mission offering was \$9.13. Rev. C. E. James is the pastor.

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MRS. S. W. HUTCHINS

Mrs. S. W. Hutchins, in the wisdom and providence of God, was called to her Eternal Home on March 14, 1949. "Miss Annie," as she was affectionately called by all who knew her, was for many years a most faithful member of Old Hebron Baptist Church, Jefferson Davis Association. In this church she served as President of the W. M. U. and the teacher of the Adult Bible class in the Sunday school.

According to the testimony of her former pastors, among whom was Dr. J. A. Taylor, Mrs. Hutchins had a rare insight into the teaching of the Bible and was most effective in presenting the truth of the lesson to the class. "Miss Annie" also gave much of her time to ministering to the sick and needy of the community, none of whom escaped her interest and concern; she was truly great in comforting the sad, cheering the discouraged and challenging the strong.

In the home, where Mrs. Hutchins lived for more than twenty years, she was a faithful and devoted wife and companion as well as a wonderful step-mother. Her relationships in the home were so beautiful as that strangers would never think she was anything other than the true mother of the children in the home.

The people of Old Hebron community in general, and the Baptist church in particular, have suffered a great loss in the home-going of this great and good woman. Yet, they all know that she is "... at home with the Lord," and to be with the Lord is far better than to be present in the body and absent from the Lord. The life and influence of this great and good servant of the Lord will live on in the memory and lives of the many who knew her and will be a blessing to others who never saw her in this life. —L. E. GREEN.

Revival Results In Expansion Plans At Hernando

First Church, Hernando, has just completed one of the greatest revivals in its history. Rev. Glenn Eric Wiley of Grenada did the preaching and the music was under the direction of Rev. S. E. Byler of Okolona.

There were 12 professions of faith and three additions by letter. Christian people were revived and inspired, to the extent that a special meeting was called on the Sunday following the revival to make special plans for launching an immediate expansion program. In a round table discussion led by Pastor Percy Herring, it was agreed to invite workers from Nashville to study their situation and make recommendations for a building which will provide for their local needs.

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Meltonia Church Organized In Bolivar Association

Meltonia Church was organized in Bolivar County on June 12 with 21 charter members. Rev. Charles Everett, Bolivar Associational Missionary, led in the organization of the church and was assisted by Rev. E. G. Evans of Benoit and Rev. F. L. Warren of Shaw.

The church is in a challenging locality, and expects to do great things for the Lord.

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Youth Revival In Marks

The First Baptist Church of Marks had a Youth Revival in conjunction with a Vacation Bible School last week. The local group was assisted by L. G. Camp, Jr., Louisville; Holmes Carlisle, Wesson; Edward Boling, Columbus; Sara Frances McDaniel, Clinton; and Meda Caraway, Ellisville.

Considerable preparation had been made and much publicity given, and groups of young people from the surrounding towns participated in the evening services. The theme of the week was "MAKING CHRIST MY MASTER."

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Crane Creek Holds Revival

Rev. Thurman Bootin, pastor of the Terry Church, preached the spring revival at Crane Creek Church, Pearl River Association, May 22-27. The first day was also Home-Coming Day with dinner served "on the ground."

There were five additions during the week, three by profession of faith. Two members rededicated their lives.

Rev. V. C. Patterson, who surrendered to preach under the evangelist's ministry at Terry, is pastor of the church at Crane Creek.

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STURGIS REVIVAL ADDS 8

Rev. C. W. Thiapson, pastor of the First Church, Aberdeen, was the guest preacher for the revival at Sturgis.

Charlie Wayne, 17-year old son of the evangelist, was youth leader during the week and inspired the young people in a great way. Rev. John E. Barrow, pastor, was song leader.

Eight additions to the church resulted, five for baptism.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT reports 29,017 awards during the month of May.